

REMARKS

The Amendment

Claims 1-22 were previously withdrawn as being directed to a non-elected invention. With this amendment, Applicants amend claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 14, and 16 to depend from claim 23, which the Examiner has indicated is allowable in its present form. Applicants cancel claims 2, 7-12 and 15. Thus, claims 1, 3-6, 13-14 and 16-22 now depend from an allowable claim. Applicants also amend claim 31 to include the term “and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof”.

The amendments are fully supported by the specification as filed. Accordingly, no new matter is added by the amendments. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments.

Telephone Interviews

Applicants thank Examiner Pihonak for the telephone interview on February 12, 2010, indicating allowability of the claims under active consideration. During this interview, Examiner Pihonak asked whether Applicants would like to rejoin the withdrawn method of treatment claims. Applicants also thank Examiner Pihonak for the telephone interview on February 23, 2010 in which Applicants' Supplemental Amendment, filed February 22, 2010, was discussed. With this second Supplemental Response, Applicants cancel claim 15, directed to a method for treatment of a subject suffering from or susceptible to a disease or disorder associated with phosphodiesterase PDE4, adenosine transporters, or prostanoid receptors, without prejudice to pursuing the subject matter of this claim in one or more continuing application(s). Applicants also amend claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 14 and 16 to depend from allowable claim 23. Applicants hereby request rejoinder of claims 1, 3-6, 13-14 and 16-22, directed to a method for treating infertility in a mammal.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the application is in good and proper condition for allowance.
Early notification of allowance is earnestly solicited.

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